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Sir:

15 In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant requests that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application.

AL European Application 1 304 132  
AM PCT Application WO 98/23891  
20 AN British Specification 898.955

**EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE**

The above references were cited during earlier examination of the present PCT application/ Reference AL also was identified and discussed in the present specification.

25 Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed simultaneously with the present application, and is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(a) and no fee is necessary.)

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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